



Archaeology News



- *from the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA), office of the Indiana State Archaeologist*

- **Indiana Archaeology Month 2006-** Indiana Archaeology Month in September was another successful celebration of the science of archaeology. The hosts of the events, and those who participated and attended, celebrated the uniqueness of the archaeological sites in the Hoosier state. The feedback regarding events has been positive and encouraging. We will continue to build on this, and have already begun planning for Indiana Archaeology Month 2007!



Archaeology Month Coordinator Amy Johnson thanks all who hosted, organized and attended events during Indiana Archaeology Month.

- **HPF grant visit-** On Thursday, September 28th, State Archaeologist Dr. Rick Jones made a site visit to the Archaeology Month activities being conducted by IPFW's Archaeological Survey as part of their current Historic Preservation Fund grant project. Dr. Jones got to see the archaeological investigations which were being conducted in Hamilton County, Indiana, and to see a typical day of visits by large numbers of school children interested in archaeology. The project uncovered important information, and shared information with lots of supportive visitors!
- **New DHPA office space-** As we have shared in past issues of *Archaeology News*, the DHPA has been remodeled and reconfigured to make better use of existing, as well as newly gained, space. This includes the area devoted to records checks. Qualified individuals coming to conduct a records search will see



an expanded work area, four individual work spaces, a copier, and a full size light table for use. This more spacious area for our customers is just one of the many benefits of this rejuvenation. For those who visit our office, we appreciate the patience and understanding you have shown during this recent period of transition.

- **Exciting staff news-** The DHPA recently advertised for two archaeological staff members. We look forward to announcing in the future the additional archaeologists who will join our staff.
- **Educator Open-house-** Archaeology Outreach Coordinator Amy Johnson represented the DHPA at the Indiana State Museum's annual educator open house on October 6th. The event offered educators the chance to learn more about educational programming and the Indiana State Museum. The DHPA had a table where Ms. Johnson distributed archaeological materials for educators and their students, as well as information about the other educational outreach opportunities at the DHPA.



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